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Case No. 5404/102  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Keita Nishino et al.

Serial No: 10/533,868

Filed: April 24, 2006

For: NOVEL INTERMEDIATE FOR  
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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 23, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: